



CDBG Application for City Project

Applicant Information

Project Title: Nature Center Playground

Sponsoring Department: Community Services – Parks & Recreation Department

Contact Name: William Ford

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Project Summary Information

Amount of CDBG Funds Requested: \$32,600

Amount of Funds from other sources that are Now Available that will be used in this project: \$0

Amount of funds from other sources that will be available at the project start date, if different: \$0

Project Location (address, or other description) 430 E. Riverside Dr, San Marcos, TX 78666

Priority Need (check one)

☒ Public Facilities/Infrastructure/Improvements

☐ Housing

☐ Clearance Activities

Project Timetable

Projected start date: January 2012

Will your project be completed (all CDBG funds expended) by July 2012? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If "No", when? _____

Estimated time needed to complete the project (or this phase of the project): 6-8 months

Will the project be completed in Phases? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If yes, please describe:

Project Summary Narrative:

Please describe the proposed project. Your narrative should explain or describe:

- (a) the nature of the project and what need the project will satisfy;
- (b) whether the project is ready to go to bid (specs and/or project design work complete);
- (c) the area that will be served by the project;
- (d) what City resources will be used in the project (equipment, funds, employees);
- (e) targeted beneficiaries (for example, elderly residents, people with a disability, etc)

- (a) The nature of the project and what need the project will satisfy;

The San Marcos Nature Center has affordably priced youth programs and day camps for low income children ages 5-10 and many parents with young non-school age children. The Childrens Playscape is within a half mile of the Nature Center, but is not appropriate for children between the ages of 2 and 5. The addition of a play structure that is appropriate for children between the ages of 2-5 will provide an additional recreational activity for families that visit the Nature Center and live in the Rio Vista Terrace Neighborhood.

- (b) Whether the project is ready to go to bid (specs and/or project design work complete);

No bidding and or specification required because the playground can be purchased off the State Buy-Board, thereby saving the city time and money.

- (c) The area that will be served by the project;

Located in census tract 103.02 with a population for 4,326, the San Marcos Nature Center and Crook Park serve the entire community as well as the low-to-moderate income Rio Vista Terrace neighborhood.

- (d) What City resources will be used in the project (equipment, funds, employees);

Construction and installation will be contracted as per City of San Marcos and HUD purchasing requirements. The City staff will provide in-kind services for planning and construction oversight and supervision.

- (e) Targeted beneficiaries (for example, elderly residents, people with a disability, etc)

Targeted beneficiaries include low and moderate income families with young children and the residents of Rio Vista Terrace neighborhood.

Project Scope:

Check all items that apply and provide a description of what will be involved under each category

- ☐ Professional Services
- ☐ Property Acquisition
- X Construction Activities**
Installation of playground equipment, water fountain, bike, rack, trash can and benches
- X Purchase of Materials (for example, playground equipment)**
Playground equipment, water fountain, bike rack, trash can, and benches
- ☐ Demolition/Clearance
- ☐ Other _____

Performance Measurements

Please make suggestions on how we can measure the impact of our project?

Quantitative Objectives for this Project: *(For example, 1000 linear feet of sidewalk)*

- 1 - Covered play structure (ages 2-7 yrs)
- 1 - Water fountain
- 2 - Park benches
- 1 - Bike rack
- 1 - Trash can

Qualitative Objectives for this Project: *(Other than by numerical statistics, how can the success of this program be measured? For example, the removal of barriers for a sidewalk project or increased code compliance for a rehab project.)*

The addition of the play structure will enhance the education programs and day camps for young children at the San Marcos Nature Center. The location of the park is adjacent to the Rio Vista Terrace Neighborhood, providing a play structure for a low-to-moderate income neighborhood. The City of San Marcos is currently providing the neighborhood with infrastructure improvement, including water, wastewater lines, street repaving, and drainage. This project will expand on the City's investment to the community.

Part 1

Line Item Budget Form

Guidance: Please use the following format to present your proposed line item budget. In Column A, list the items for which you anticipate the need for CDBG funds. In Column B provide the calculation explaining how you arrived at the estimated cost of the line item. In Column C provide the projected request for CDBG funds. Following the Line Item Budget, please complete the Supplemental Budget Form – Use of Other Resources.

NOTE: Funds and costs, as outlined on the *Sources and Uses of Funds* form, may **not** be spent or incurred prior to a contract award date (usually October 1st) from the CDBG Program.

Budget Item	Calculation	CDBG Request	Secured Funds from Other Sources (not-in kind match)
Program/Project Administration Provide Detail of Activities Funded	Provide description of how you arrived at the total for each line item.		
None			
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION			
Program/Project Delivery & Construction Activities	Provide description of how you arrived at the total for each line item.		
Acquisition of Real Property			
Appraisal Costs			
Professional Services			
Architectural	A/E Historical information by PARD	\$3,861	-0-
Engineering			

Surveying			
Purchase of Materials	Historical information by PARD	\$25,739	-0-
Permits and Fees			
Demolition			
Dumpsters/Portable Toilets			
Rehabilitation Hard Costs			
Environmental and platting	Historical information	\$3,000	-0-
Infrastructure Construction Hard Costs			
Facility Construction Hard Costs – renovation of the interior of a historic house			
Total		\$32,600	-0-
BUDGET TOTAL		\$32,600	-0-

Part 2

Leveraging

- Has your organization actively solicited funds from our sources (besides the City of San Marcos) to fund this project?

Type (Grants, Foundations, Private Donations, etc.)	Source	Dollars Requested	Dollars Awarded	Purpose/Use

- Fundraising Efforts – What fundraising activities/events has your Agency held to support this project?

Type of Event	Date	Dollars Sought	Dollars Raised	Purpose/Use

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING FOR
CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOANS,
AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS**

I certify, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that:

1. No federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a member of congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a member of congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a member of congress in connection with this federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit standard form - "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying", in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.
4. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U. S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

GENERAL CERTIFICATIONS

This project will minimize displacement of persons as a result of activities assisted with CDBG funds. In the event that displacement of residential dwellings will occur in connection with a project assisted with CDBG funds, the City will create and follow a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan

The program will be conducted and administered in conformity with the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 2000a *et seq.*) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 3901 *et seq.*), and that it will affirmatively further fair housing, as specified by TCDP.

I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief that the certifications, information, exhibits, and schedules contained in this application are true and accurate statements.

William Ford
Signature

Date Signed: Tuesday, March 22, 2011

Printed Name: William Ford

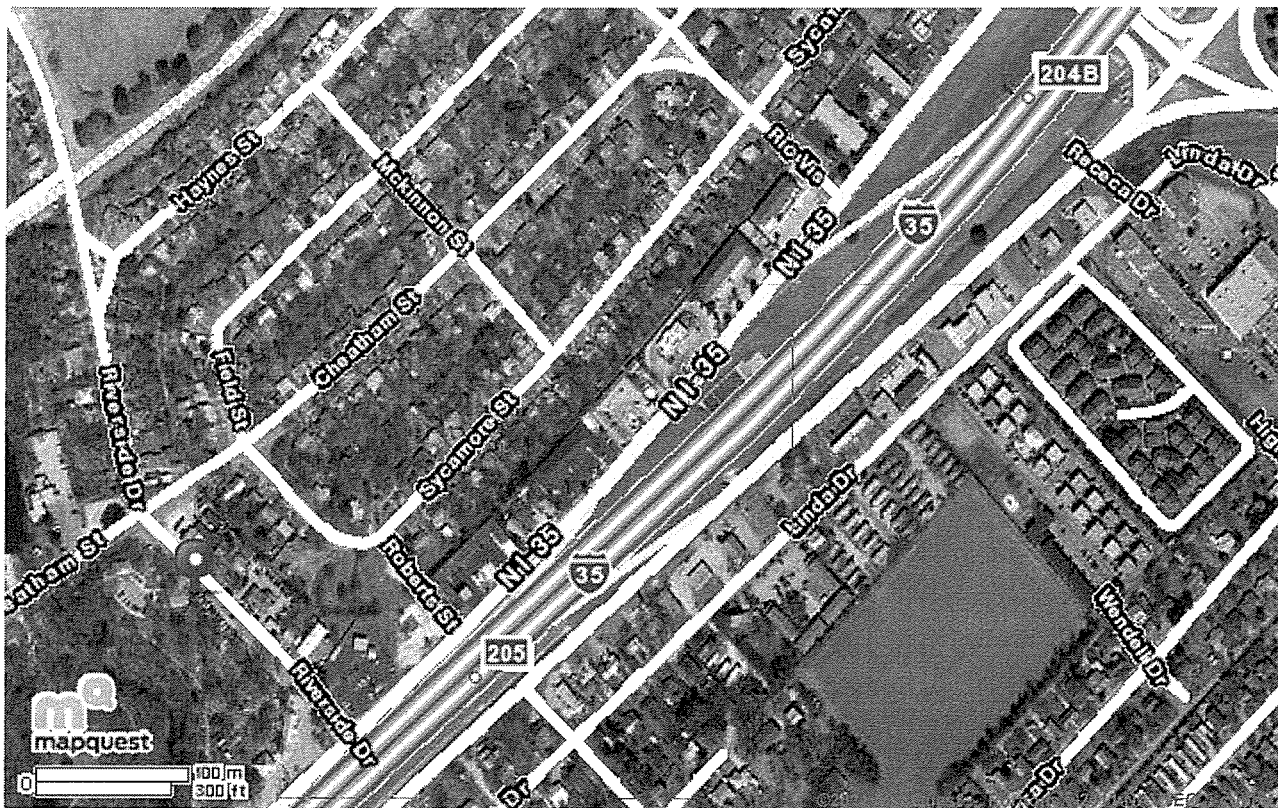
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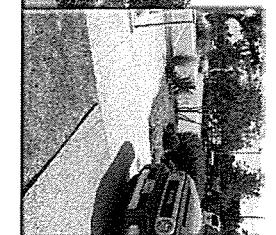
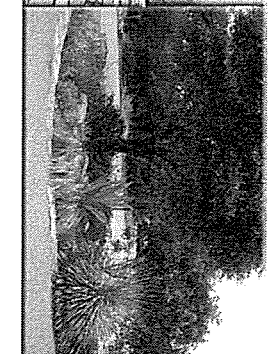
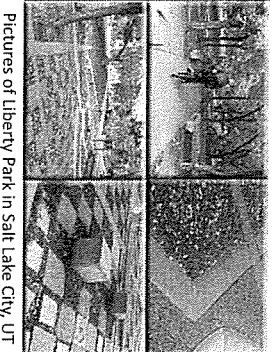
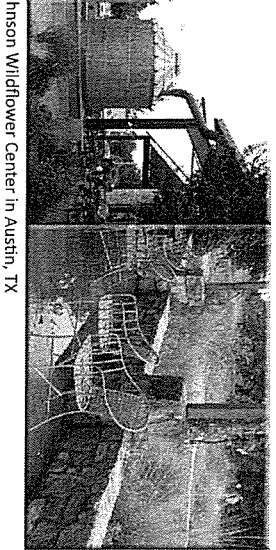
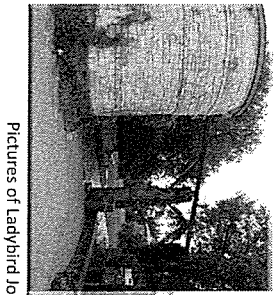
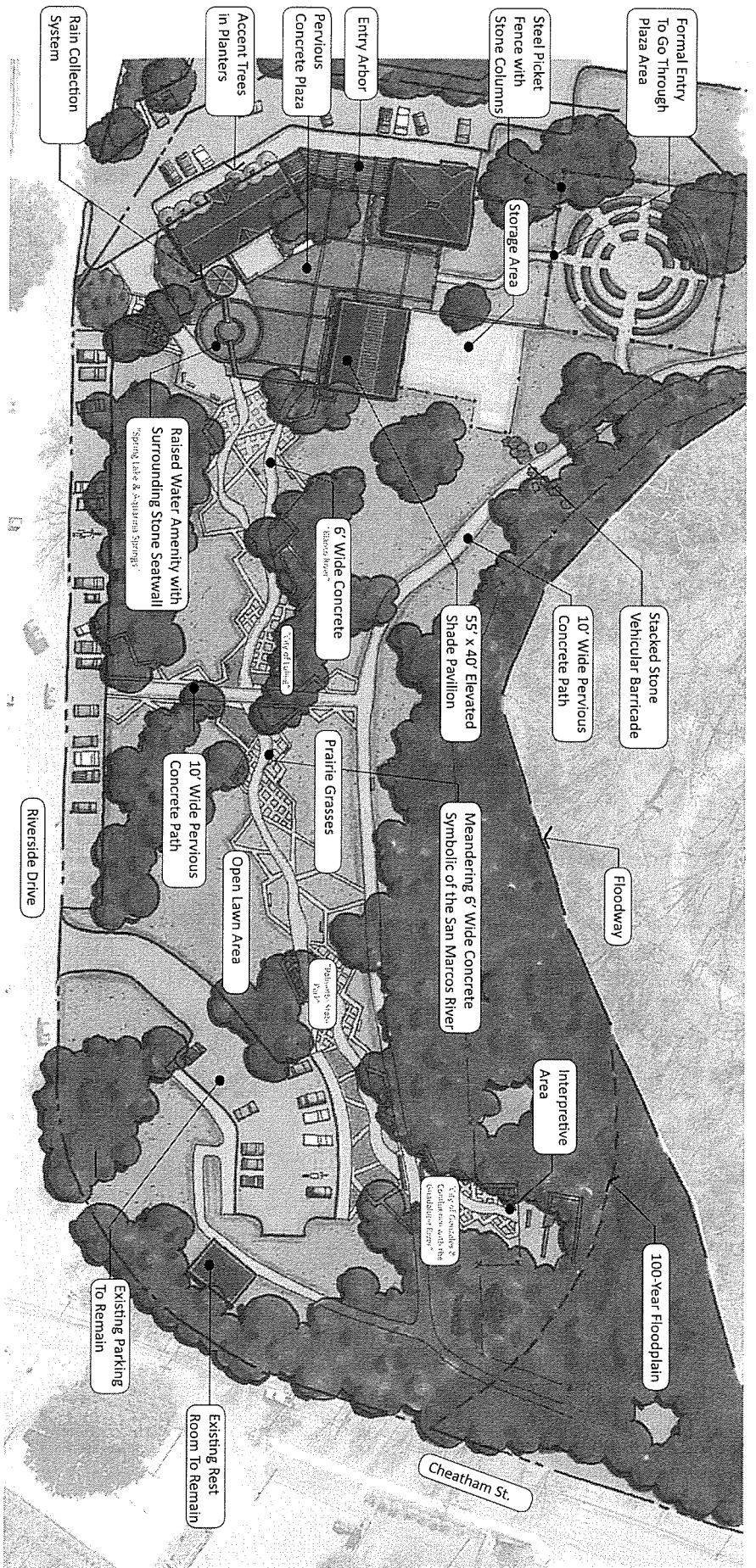
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Pictures of Ladybird Johnson Wildflower Center in Austin, TX

Pictures of Liberty Park in Salt Lake City, UT

River Park - Preliminary Master Plan

City of San Marcos

LUCK DESIGN TEAM

February 9, 2011

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